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In re application of

Akehiro MATSUDA

Conf. 1077

Application No. 10/656,231

Group 2871

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Examiner Tai V. Duong

APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 13, 2005

Sir:

This is a "Request for Continued Examination" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, the provisions of which do not apply to:

- (1) A provisional application; (2) An application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) before June 8, 1995; (3) An international application filed under 35 U.S.C. §363 before June 8, 1995; (4) An application for a design patent; or (5) A patent under reexamination.
- This Request for Continued Examination is being filed prior to the earliest of:
  - (1) Payment of the issue fee, unless a petition under \$1.313 is granted; (2) Abandonment of the application; or (3) The filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. §§ 145 or 146, unless the appeal or civil action is terminated.
- The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

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	TOTAL NUMBER OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY FILED	TOTAL NUMBER OF CLAIMS BEING FILED HEREWITH	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	
Total Claims	11	13	0	x\$50 =	\$0.00	
Independent Claims	3	4	1	x\$200 =	\$200	
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An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449 form(s) is/are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

## Fees

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Other:

The required fee under 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.17(e) as required by 37 C.F.R.  $\S$  1.114 when the RCE is filed, is enclosed herewith:

☐ \$395.00 - small entity

- The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:
  - NO extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

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- Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$990.00 for the applicable filing fee, additional claims fee, and/or extension fees.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §\$1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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